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The Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 15, 2004, setting a 3-month shortened statutory period for a reply ending on October 15, 2004, Applicants submit the following responsive amendment in the above-identified application. This amendment is considered to place the application in better condition for allowance.

No fee is believed to be required with this amendment, but, if this is not the case, please charge the requisite fee (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Application Serial No. 09/898,984 Reply to Office Action of July 15, 2004 PATENT Docket: CU-2581

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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